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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the non-final Office action dated August 23, 2004, having a shortened statutory period set to expire November 23, 2004. Further examination and consideration are requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Abstract begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

No Amendments to the Drawings are presented in this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.

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